

MOSS ADAMS LLP
Certified Public Accountants • Business Consultants

REDACTED- FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

June 30, 2015

Received & Inspected

JUN 01 2015

FCC Mail Room

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

RE: **Confidential Financial Information Subject to Protective Order in WC Docket Nos. 14-58, 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208. Before the Federal Communications Commission**

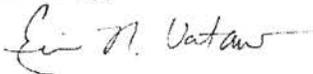
Dear Ms. Dortch:

Rural Telephone Company NV ("Rural"), a privately-held rate of return carrier receiving high cost support, has electronically submitted FCC Form 481 to the Commission with redacted financial data, in compliance with 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.422

As specified in the Protective Order issued on November 16, 2012 by the Commission, two copies of the redacted confidential information are being filed simultaneously with the non-redacted confidential information. The redacted information for this filing and each page of the file where confidential information has been omitted is marked "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION"

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this particular matter.

Sincerely,



Eric N. Votaw, Senior Manager for
Moss Adams LLP

Enclosures

cc Mr. Charles Tyler, FCC Telecommunications Access Policy Division

No. of Copies rec'd 0+1
List ABCDE

Praxity
MEMBER
GLOBAL ALLIANCE OF
INDEPENDENT FIRMS

FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form

FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0815
July 2013

<010> Study Area Code	552233
<015> Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020> Program Year	2016
<030> Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Susan Case
<035> Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	2083662614 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

Received & Inspected
JUL 17 2015
FCC Mail Room

ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS

	54.313	54.422
	Completion Required	Completion Required

			(check box when complete)	
<100> Service Quality Improvement Reporting	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<200> Outage Reporting (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<210> <input type="checkbox"/> <- check box if no outages to report		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<300> Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<310> Detail on Attempts (voice)	<input type="text" value=""/> (attach descriptive document)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<320> Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<330> Detail on Attempts (broadband)	<input type="text" value=""/> (attach descriptive document)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<400> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<410> Fixed	<input type="text" value="0.0"/>			
<420> Mobile	<input type="text" value="0.0"/>			
<430> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<440> Fixed	<input type="text" value="0.0"/>			
<450> Mobile	<input type="text" value="0.0"/>			
<500> Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<510> <input type="text" value="552233NV510.pdf"/> (attached descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<600> Functionality in Emergency Situations	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<610> <input type="text" value="552233NV610.pdf"/> (attached descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<700> Company Price Offerings (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<710> Company Price Offerings (broadband)	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<800> Operating Companies and Affiliates	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<900> Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)? <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>	(if yes, complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<1000> Voice Services Rate Comparability Certification	<input type="text" value="Yes"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<1010> <input type="text" value="552233NV1010.pdf"/> (attach descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Yes or No) <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	(if not, check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<1110>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<2005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet				
<3000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<3005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
-----------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010>	Study Area Code	552233
<015>	Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020>	Program Year	2016
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Susan Case
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	2083662614 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

<110> Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC? If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<111> year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

552233NV100.pdf

Name of Attached Document

Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets	Yes
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	Yes
<115>	How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality	Yes
<116>	How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage	Yes
<117>	How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity	Yes
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	Not Applicable

Yes
Not Applicable

(900) Tribal Lands Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
--------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010> Study Area Code	552233
<015> Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020> Program Year	2016
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Susan Case
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	2083462614 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
--------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010> Study Area Code	552233
<015> Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020> Program Year	2016
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Susan Case
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	2083662614 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

<1120> Please confirm whether terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g) (Yes, No).

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers Lifeline Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010>	Study Area Code	552233
<015>	Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020>	Program Year	2016
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Susan Case
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	2083662614 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

552233NV1200.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

- <1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,
- <1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,
- <1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation Data Collection Form <i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0838 July 2013
---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010>	Study Area Code	
<015>	Study Area Name	352233
<020>	Program Year	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	2016
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	Susan Case
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	2003002014 FAX susan.case@rcn.net

Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

<2010> 2nd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)i)

<2011a> 3rd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)ii)

<2011b> Attachment (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)ii)

Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.312(a))

<2012> 2013 Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(1))

<2013> 2014 Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(2))

<2014> 2015 Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(3))

<2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4))

Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support (47 CFR § 54.313(d))

<2016> Certification Support Used to Build Broadband

Connect America Phase II Reporting (47 CFR § 54.313(e))

<2017> 3rd year Broadband Service Certification

<2018> 5th year Broadband Service Certification

<2019> Interim Progress Certification

<2020> Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

<2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions

Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

(8000) Rate of Return Carrier-Additional Documentation Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481
	OMB Control No. 3080-0086/OMB Control No. 3080-0619
	July 2018

<010> Study Area Code 552233

<015> Study Area Name RURAL TEL CO - NV

<020> Program Year 2016

<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Juan Case

<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 2083662614_ext

<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> juan.case@ruraltel.com

CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3010) Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))

552233RV3010.pdf

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

(3012) Community Anchor institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)) (Yes/No)

(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report? (Yes/No)

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:

(3015) Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)

(3016) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3017) If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

552233RV3017.pdf

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3018) If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? (Yes/No)

If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3028 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

(3019) Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications

(3020) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3021) Management letter and audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit

If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3028 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

(3022) Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers,

(3023) Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant

(3024) Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.

(3025) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

LINE 3000 RATE OF RETURN DATA

REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3050-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
-------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010> Study Area Code	552233
<015> Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020> Program Year	2016
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Susan Case
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	2083662614 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	RURAL TEL CO - NV
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date 06/30/2015
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Mark Martell
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	General Manager
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	2083662614 ext.
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	552233 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2015
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
---------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

<010> Study Area Code	552233
<015> Study Area Name	RURAL TEL CO - NV
<020> Program Year	2016
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Susan Case
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	2083662614 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	susan.case@ruraltel.org

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent: _____	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Signature of Authorized Officer: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Officer: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: ext. _____	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: _____	Filing Due Date for this form: _____
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: ext. _____	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: _____	Filing Due Date for this form: _____
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Attachments

LINE 100 INITIAL FIVE-YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

LINE 200 SERVICE QUALITY OUTAGE REPORTING

REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

Response Line 510
Rural Telephone Company - Nevada
Study Area 552233

Voice Network

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(5) and or 47 C.F.R. § 54.422(b)(3) Rural Telephone Company - Nevada ("Rural") is in compliance with appropriate FCC Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules. Rural provides CPNI training to all of its new employees and in addition trains all of its existing employees on an annual basis. Rural also conducts subscriber outreach regarding CPNI by placing CPNI explanation onto its website at www.rtc.net which informs subscribers about CPNI rules and other applicable customer rights and obligations. In addition Rural trains staff on Red Flag issues on an annual basis. All company employees are required to sign and acknowledge that they have completed CPNI and Red Flag training and understand obligations to adherence of applicable rules.

Rural also outlines its rates, terms, and conditions under which ILEC offers service in its Local Exchange Tariff. The tariff explains customer rights and obligations, customer service, dispute resolution, deposits, billing and payment options, disconnection of service as well as cancellation of service options. Rural keeps its tariffs available for public inspection at its business offices.

Broadband Network

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(5) and or 47 C.F.R. § 54.422(b)(3) Rural is in compliance with applicable FCC Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules. Rural trains staff on applicable rules for broadband services issues on an annual basis. In addition Rural has placed on its website at www.rtc.net its network practices and policies regarding FCC's Net Neutrality Rules.

Rural also outlines its rates, terms, and conditions under which Rural offers Broadband service in NECA Tariff #5 to Internet Service Providers ("ISP"). The Tariff explains customer rights and obligations, customer service, dispute resolution, deposits, billing and payment options, disconnection of service as well as cancellation of service options. Public inspection of NECA Tariff #5 can be found on NECA's website. Retail DSL rates, terms, and conditions for retail services are provided by the ISP.

Response Line 610
Rural Telephone Company - Nevada
Study Area 552233

Functionality in Emergency Situations:

Voice Network

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(6) and 47 C.F.R § 54.22(b)(4) as set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(2) Rural Telephone Company – Nevada (“Rural”) meets the requirements to remain functional in emergency situations and has the following capabilities: Back-up power is provided to Rural central offices by use of a generator and batteries that provide it with 8 to 12 hours of emergency power. In addition, Rural’s field electronics have 8 to 12 hours of back-up power by use of generators and batteries. Rural also has SONET technology deployed in its core fiber optic network that is self-healing and will automatically reroute traffic should a fiber cut occur. Rural has also sufficient spare cards for its fiber optic network to provide almost instantaneous replacement should there ever be a card failure in the core network. Rural also has proper staff in place to repair any fiber cuts in a timely manner. Rural has connectivity with neighboring telephone exchanges as well as the LATA tandem to provide diverse options to reroute traffic should an emergency arise. Rural has developed and trained its staff on network preparedness plans in case of emergency situations. Rural is prepared and capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations and has sufficient switching capabilities to handle such situations.

Broadband Network

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(6) and 47 C.F.R § 54.22(b)(4) as set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(2) Rural Telephone Company – Nevada (“Rural”) meets the requirements to remain functional in emergency situations and has the following capabilities: Back-up power is provided to Rural central offices by use of a generator and batteries that provide it with 8 to 12 hours of emergency power. In addition, Rural’s field electronics have 8 to 12 hours of back-up power by use of generators and batteries. Rural also has SONET technology deployed in its core fiber optic network that is self-healing and will automatically reroute traffic should a fiber cut occur. Rural has also sufficient spare cards for its fiber optic network to provide almost instantaneous replacement should there ever be a card failure in the core network. Rural also has proper staff in place to repair any fiber cuts in a timely manner. Rural has connectivity with neighboring telephone exchanges as well as the LATA tandem to provide diverse options to reroute traffic should an emergency arise. Rural has developed and trained its staff on network preparedness plans in case of emergency situations.

Response to Line 1010
Rural Telephone Company - Nevada
Study Area 552233

Voice Services Comparability Report

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313 (a) (10) Rural Telephone Company - Nevada ("Rural") is in compliance with the requirement that voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the national average urban rate for voice service of \$47.48 as specified in Public Notice DA 15-470 issued on April 16, 2015. Rural's current total local end-user rate¹ of \$14.00 (which includes a local fee of \$14.00, mandated state fees of \$0.00 and mandatory extended area service charges of \$0.00) is not above the standard deviation as specified in the USF/ICC Transformation Order.²

¹ Local End User Rate as defined in USF/ICC Transformation Order 26 FCC Rcd at 17751, Para. 238

² USF/ICC Transformation Order, 26 FCC Rcd at 17694, Para. 84 (footnote included) "The standard deviation is a measure of dispersion. The sample standard deviation is the square root of the sample variance. The sample variance is calculated as the sum of the squared deviations of the individual observations in the sample of data from the sample average divided by the total number of observations in the sample minus one. In a normal distribution, about 68 percent of the observations lie within one standard deviation above and below the average and about 95 percent of the observations lie within two standard deviations above and below the average."

Rural Telephone Company
892 West. Madison Avenue
Glenns Ferry, ID 83623

7th Revised P.S.C.N. Sheet No. 14
Cancels
6th Revised P.S.C.N. Sheet No. 14

TARIFF NO. 1

SCHEDULE A-1

NETWORK ACCESS LINE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

APPLICABLE TO ALL ACCESS LINES WHICH ALLOW THE CAPABILITY OF ORIGINATION AND TERMINATION OF LOCAL EXCHANGE, EXTENDED SERVICE EXCHANGES AND TOLL CALLING.

TERRITORY

WITHIN THE UTILITY'S EXCHANGES AS SAID AREAS ARE DEFINED UPON MAPS FILED AS A PART OF THE TARIFF SCHEDULES.

RATES

A.1 LOCAL EXCHANGE NETWORK ACCESS LINES

RATE PER MONTH

INDIVIDUAL LINE - Residential
INDIVIDUAL LINE - Business

\$14.00
\$16.00

(R)
(T)

(D)

(D)

Issued: 3/3/05

Issued by:

Effective:

James R. Martell
President

Advice No.

Schedule A1B

LIFELINE SERVICE

SERVICE

Applicable to qualifying low-income, one-party residence customers of the Utility who meet the eligibility criteria established by the Federal Communications Commission's Rule 54.409(b).

(D)
 (D)

DESCRIPTION

A. Baseline Lifeline is a reduction or credit to the lifeline service charges paid by qualifying low-income consumers. The reduction to the normal residential one-party rates are as follows:

(T)
 |
 (T)

Federal Lifeline Support Credit \$9.25
 (includes Federal End-User Common Line credit of
 \$6.50 and remainder \$2.75 credit covers basic service)

(I)
 |
 (I)

These reductions or credits are from the normal residential one-party service subscribed to by the consumer. The credit may be used in a bundled service plan combining voice and broadband or packages including optional calling features.

(N)
 |
 (N)

B. The following services are included:

1. One-party, voice grade access to the public switched network;
2. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
3. Access to emergency services;
4. Access to operator services;
5. Access to interexchange services, unless Long Distance Message Restriction (Toll Blocking) is chosen;
6. Access to directory assistance; and
7. Long Distance Message Restriction (Toll Blocking)

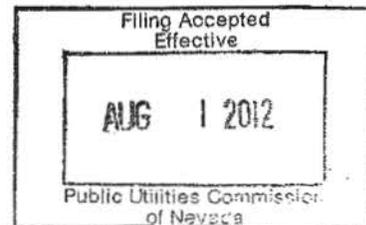
(D)

(D)

Issued:
 March 19, 2012

Issued By:
 James R. Martell
 President

Effective:



Advice No. 34

Rural Telephone Company
892 West. Madison Avenue
Glenns Ferry, ID 83623

7th Revised P.S.C.N. Sheet No. 14
Cancels
6th Revised P.S.C.N. Sheet No. 14

TARIFF NO. 1

SCHEDULE A - 1

NETWORK ACCESS LINE SERVICE

APPLICABILITY

APPLICABLE TO ALL ACCESS LINES WHICH ALLOW THE CAPABILITY OF ORIGINATION AND TERMINATION OF LOCAL EXCHANGE, EXTENDED SERVICE EXCHANGES AND TOLL CALLING.

TERRITORY

WITHIN THE UTILITY'S EXCHANGES AS SAID AREAS ARE DEFINED UPON MAPS FILED AS A PART OF THE TARIFF SCHEDULES.

RATES

A.1	<u>LOCAL EXCHANGE NETWORK ACCESS LINES</u>	<u>RATE PER MONTH</u>
	INDIVIDUAL LINE - Residential	\$14.00
	INDIVIDUAL LINE - Business	\$16.00

(R)
(T)

(D)

(D)

Issued: 3/3/05

Issued by:

Effective:

James R. Martell
President

Advice No.

Schedule A1B

LIFELINE SERVICE

SERVICE

Applicable to qualifying low-income, one-party residence customers of the Utility who meet the eligibility criteria established by the Federal Communications Commission's Rule 54.409(b).

(D)
 (D)

DESCRIPTION

A. Baseline Lifeline is a reduction or credit to the lifeline service charges paid by qualifying low-income consumers. The reduction to the normal residential one-party rates are as follows:

(T)
 |
 (T)

Federal Lifeline Support Credit \$9.25
 (includes Federal End User Common Line credit of
 \$6.50 and remainder \$2.75 credit covers basic service)

(I)
 |
 (I)

These reductions or credits are from the normal residential one-party service subscribed to by the consumer. The credit may be used in a bundled service plan combining voice and broadband or packages including optional calling features.

(N)
 |
 (N)

- B. The following services are included:
1. One-party, voice grade access to the public switched network;
 2. Dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
 3. Access to emergency services;
 4. Access to operator services;
 5. Access to interexchange services, unless Long Distance Message Restriction (Toll Blocking) is chosen;
 6. Access to directory assistance; and
 7. Long Distance Message Restriction (Toll Blocking)

(D)
 |
 (D)

Issued:
 March 19, 2012

Issued By:
 James R. Martell
 President

Effective:

Filing Accepted
 Effective
 AUG 1 2012
 Public Utilities Commission
 of Nevada

Advice No. 34

Response to Line3010
Rural Telephone Company - Nevada
Study Area 552233

Milestone Certification

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a) Rural Telephone Company - Nevada ("Rural") provides this certification that it is taking reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband speeds of at least 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to offerings in urban areas as determined in an annual survey as specified in Public Notice DA 15-470, and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time. Details for how Rural is meeting its obligations for broadband goals and required obligations are specified within the FCC Form 481 annual filing.

LINE 3005 RATE OF RETURN DATA

REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION